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Ms. Michele Simon
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P.O. Box 55819
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Dear Ms. Simon:

This is in response to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) received by this office. You requested the following information:


“Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program's Benefit Redemption Division (BRD) Annual Report for FY 2000 through FY 2011. Also provide an explanation of how the Benefit Redemption Division defines these "Firm Types" listed in the FY 2010 report.”

In response to your request, we are releasing BRD Annual reports from Fiscal Year 2000 through FY 2011. Also attached is a document titled, “Store Type Definitions”, which provides general descriptions of each store type. Please note that we do not release the detailed definitions of our store types. These are used in our fraud detection systems, and are considered confidential.

The store types used in the BRD Annual Report are the store types used to categorize stores when they are authorized to participate in SNAP, based on various characteristics of the store such as size, inventory, and annual sales, and do not necessarily reflect how a store categorizes itself.

If you are dissatisfied with our response to your FOIA request, you may appeal by writing to the Administrator, Food and Nutrition Service, at 3101 Park Center Drive, Alexandria, VA 22302, or by email to FOIA@fns.usda.gov within 45 days from the date of this letter. The phrase, “FOIA APPEAL” should be placed in capital letters on the front of the envelope or in the subject of the email containing the appeal.

Sincerely,


Jennifer Weatherly
FNS FOIA Officer

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From: FOIA - FNS
Sent: Tuesday, September 24, 2013 9:39 AM
To: '1906-40514205@requests.muckrock.com'
Subject: FW: Freedom of Information Request: Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program's Benefit Redemption Data
Attachments: BRD Annual Report FY 2000.pdf; BRD Annual Report FY 2001.pdf; BRDAnnualRptFY02.pdf; Annual Report FY 2003.pdf; BRDAnnualRptFY04.pdf; 2005-annual-report.pdf; BRD Annual Rpt FY06.pdf; Annual Report FY 2007.pdf; BRD Annual Report FY 2008.pdf; BRD_Annual_Report_FY_2009 final.pdf; BRD FY 2010 Annual Report.pdf; Final FY 2011 Annual Report.pdf; SNAP Store Type Definitions - public.pdf

Ms. Simon,

We sent this last month but received an undeliverable. Please let me know if you received this email.

Thanks
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